COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN ADJUSTMENT OF RATES OF THE) CASE NO. SOUTH SHORE WATER WORKS CO.) 2003-00044

ORDER

On February 5, 2003, South Shore Water Works Co. (South Shore) applied to the Commission for authority to adjust its rates for service rendered on and after March 10, 2003. The application did not meet the minimum filing requirements, but all deficiencies were cured and the application deemed filed as of February 25, 2003.

Pursuant to KRS 278.180(1), no change can be made in any rate by a utility except upon 30 days notice to the Commission. Therefore, the earliest date on which South Shore's proposed rates can lawfully become effective is March 27, 2003. The Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190, further proceedings are necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that such proceedings cannot be completed prior to the proposed effective date.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- The proposed rates are hereby suspended for 5 months from March 27,
 2003 up to and including August 26, 2003.
- 2. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering a final decision in this case prior to the determination of the suspension period.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 26th day of March, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director